

Mr. J. Slough moved to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Ward. The Resolution was declared adopted and is recorded in Resolution Volume XXXI, Page 4-2009, and is hereby made a part of the record.

Dispatcher of the Year 2008 – Jan Ulrich

Resolution No. 5-2009 was read in its entirety and presented by Mayor Sehnert to Dispatcher of the Year 2009, Jan Ulrich.

RESOLUTION NO. 5-2009

First reading

Adopted

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING POLICE DISPATCHER JAN ULRICH FOR BEING SELECTED DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR FOR 2008.

Mr. Ward moved to adopt the Resolution, seconded by Mr. J. Slough. The Resolution was declared adopted and is recorded in Resolution Volume XXXI, Page 5-2009, and is hereby made a part of the record.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

PETITIONS:

Petition Presented by Ed Hartman, Findlay Downtown Partnership LLC, 407 W. Main Cross Street – Creation of the Downtown Findlay Improvement District

A petition of downtown Findlay, Ohio, real property owners requesting that the City of Findlay approve the creation of the Downtown Findlay Improvement District and the Downtown Services Plan and budget for Downtown Findlay Improvement District Inc. Referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee. Filed.

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT:

Safety Director Jim Barker – Request for legislation

Legislation is requested to authorize the taking of bids and contracting for security service for the Roc (Rehabilitation and Opportunity Center). The City will be operating the ROC within the next few months. Part of the operations is contracting for security services. Filed.

Service Director Bruce Hardy – Amend Section 11: License Stipend

An employee in the Sewer Maintenance Department, holding a Class 1 collection system license, is not being paid an annual stipend. There is no provision for this in the pay ordinance that controls this situation. The Service

Director requests an amendment to Section 11; License Stipend of Ordinance No. 2007-106, by including job classification Sewer Maintenance Worker IV in the eligible classifications. This will put this job classification on par with the counterpart job classification in the Water Distribution Department (Waterline Maintenance Worker IV) that currently is eligible for license stipends. Referred to the Appropriations Committee. Filed.

Service Director Bruce Hardy – Purchase of Planned Replacements

Request for the Appropriations Committee to consider the purchase of a biosolid pump (\$13,700) and a polymer feeding unit (\$11,500). Both items are planned replacements for original equipment from the 1989 expansion of the WPCC plant. Referred to the Appropriations Committee. Filed.

Chief of Police William H. Spraw – Officer Kevin Spieker, Officer of the Year 2008

Officer Kevin Spieker has been selected Officer of the Year 2008. He began his career with the Findlay Police Department in May 2002. He is known for his thorough investigations and ability to adapt to any situation. His outstanding professionalism and attitude make him stand out as an example for others to emulate. Filed.

Chief of Police William H. Spraw – Dispatcher of the Year 2008

Dispatcher Jan Ulrich has been selected Dispatcher of the Year 2009. He joined the Findlay Police Department in 1987, and since that time, he has been instrumental in making dispatch a model communications center. His outstanding professionalism makes him stand out as an example for others to follow. Filed.

Chief of Police William H. Spraw – Purchase of Tasers

Purchase of Tasers was not approved due to budget constraints. Last year a request to businesses, private clubs, civic organizations and the general public for donations towards the purchase were made by the Chief of Police. Donations of \$9,600 have been received. In 2008, the Department received a grant of one Taser from the National Tactical Officers Association. The purchase of nine Tasers is requested from this account.

From: Taser Contributions	\$9,600.00
To: Police Department	
Taser Project #31983600	\$9,600.00

Referred to the Appropriations Committee. Filed.

Chief of Police William H. Spraw – Record Check

A check of the records on Todd McCracken, Todd Howard LLC, dba North Main Marathon, 2727 North Main Street, shows no criminal record. This is in regards to a C1, C2, liquor permit from Northside Marathon to North Main Marathon. Mr. Slough moved to file no objection, seconded by Mr. Van Dyne. Motion carried. Nays: Monday, Ward. Filed.

Chief Thomas R. Lonyo, Findlay Fire Department – Grant from Wal-Mart Foundation

A grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 was received by the Department from the Wal-Mart Foundation. The funds will be used to train members of the Fire Department in the area of Officer Development. The amount was deposited into the City General Fund on January 9, 2009. A request is being made that the Appropriations Committee consider transferring \$1,000.00 from the General Fund into Fire Department Personal Development line item #21014000-448100. Referred to the Appropriations Committee. Filed.

Chief Engineer Brian Hurt – Water and Sewer Rates

It was proposed, at the Water and Sewer Committee meeting on January 29, 2009, to consider hiring a professional utility rate consultant. Authorization to seek proposals and an appropriation of funds are needed. This expense is not currently included in the 2009 Capital Improvements Plan. The Engineer requests the opportunity to discuss this with the Appropriations Committee. Referred to the Appropriations Committee. Filed.

Summary of Year-to-Date Information as of December 31, 2008.
Investments at December 31, 2008. Filed.

Hancock Regional Planning Commission Minutes – November 19, 2008
Filed.

Traffic Commission Minutes – January 20, 2009. Filed.

Findlay City Board of Health Minutes – October 15, 2008, October 29, 2008,
and November 19, 2008. Filed.

Monthly Collection Report to Findlay Council – January 2009. Filed

NEAT Departmental Activity Report – January 2009. Filed.

City Auditor Robert Cole Sprague – Two Fiscal Crises

The first crises faced by the City was the unanticipated and drastic reduction of our corporate income taxes, which declined \$5.6M in 2008. The second fiscal crises is in the form of a general economic contraction which has accelerated downward since October. The banking crises is turning into a larger economic contraction that will affect every industry and national GDP. This crises will require a different policy response than the first phase of our crises. Mr. Sprague requests a discussion with the Appropriations Committee regarding some adjustments to the 2009 subsidy appropriations, the 2009 unappropriated balances, a 3-year operating plan, and how we will address these upcoming issues. Referred to the Appropriations Committee. Filed.

Mayor Sehnert – Confirmation of Appointments to Boards or Commissions

Airport Advisory Board – Roy Alexander, Gary Junker, Scott Keys

Board of Health – B. Joan work (R.N.)

Design Review Board – Jo Daugherty, Nicholas Moser, Barry Niswander

Hancock Regional Planning Commission – Donald Bledsoe, Dan Clinger,

Mike Couchot, Tom Moorhead, Jody O'Brien, Christie Ranzau

Metropolitan Housing Authority – Charles Roger

Parks and Recreation Board – Bob Nichols

Revolving Loan Fund – Kirk Kah, Andrew Rill, Brett Spaeth

Street Designation Committee – Dale Gillespie

The appointees for the Board of Health, the Design Review Board, Hancock

Regional Planning Commission, and the Revolving Loan Fund require

Council confirmation. Mr. Collette moved to confirm these appointments,

seconded by Mr. J. Slough. Motion carried. Filed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE to whom was referred a request from Chief Engineer Brian Hurt to discuss the Water and Sewer Funds. The City is currently operating on water and sewer rates enacted in 2006. We recommend to increase all sewage rates by 6.2%. Mr. Monday moved to accept the committee report, seconded by Mr. M Slough. Motion carried. Filed.

WATER & SEWER COMMITTEE to whom was referred a request for water and sewer extension for approximately 74 ± acres in Section 15, Marion Township. The property is owned by Richard and Ilene Hoy and is located northeast of the intersection of Township Road 237 and State Route 568. We recommend extending water and sewer to the above property. Property will not exceed 121 residential lots and 27,500 GPD of commercial sewage. Subject to the Chief Engineer's specifications. All at developer's cost. Mr. Monday moved to accept the committee report, seconded by Mr. Ward. Mr. Monday stated that this is an unusual report—the Committee limited them to 27,500 GPD. They cannot exceed that amount. This was at the recommendation of Matt Carpenter. We must have usage for that area. Motion carried. Filed.

LEGISLATION:

RESOLUTIONS:

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ORDINANCE NO. 2009-15

First reading

Adopted

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO, TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS FOR SECURITY SERVICES FOR THE REHABILITATION AND OPPORTUNITY CENTER (ROC), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Mr. Collette moved to suspend the Statutory Rules and give the Ordinance the second and third reading. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. Ayes: M. Slough, Urbanski, Van Dyne, Ward, Collette, Monday, Schedel, Seng, J. Slough. Mr. M. Slough asked for a time line for the ROC. Mr. Barker: end of this month, first of next month. Over sixty people volunteered to participate in the program. Drawings for renovations will be finished very shortly. NEAT will move to the old sign shop. The Ordinance received the second and third reading. Mr. Ward moved to adopt the Ordinance, seconded by Mr. J. Slough. Ayes: Urbanski, Van Dyne, Ward, Collette, Monday, Schedel, Seng, J. Slough, M. Slough. The Ordinance was declared adopted and is recorded in Ordinance Volume SS, Page 2009-15, and is hereby made a part of the record.

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-16

First reading

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 925.16 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY, OHIO.

Second reading of the Ordinance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mr. Monday: Regarding the Service Director's letter to amend Ordinance No. 2007-106, what is to be done? President Schuck referred the letter to the Appropriations Committee.

Mr. Collette: Commended GFI for their monthly letter report.

Mr. M. Slough: Temperatures in the 40's are predicted for Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday (with rain). "Is any planning being done"? (Flood) Mayor Sehnert stated that the river is getting low, and yes, they are preparing. Safety Director Barker said residents will be able to obtain sand bags at the Parker Building—the gates will be open.

Mr. Ward: **APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING – TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10 – 4:30 PM – THIRD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM.**

Agenda:

1. License Stipend – Ord. 2007-106
2. Transfer of Funds – Grant for Fire Department
3. Taser Purchase
4. Biosolids Pump and Polymer Feeding Unit
5. Adjustments to 2009 Budget

Mr. J. Slough: **PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE MEETING – MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 9 - 1:00 PM – COUNCIL OFFICE**

Agenda: 1. Downtown Findlay Improvement District
2. Rezone 1415 E. Sandusky Street

President Schuck adjourned Council at 8:10 PM

CLERK OF COUNCIL
Martha Stelzer

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL
Robert E. Schuck